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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time to file an amendment to the Official Action, mailed April 4, 2003 regarding the above-identified U.S. Patent Application, be granted for a period of two (2) months, up to and including September 4, 2003, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The requisite fee of \$205.00 is included in our enclosed check.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 01-2215.

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